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SUBJECT: ECE SEMINAR IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA ON NUMERICALLY-
CONTROLLED MACHINE TOOLS

1. FEDERAL MINISTRY OF METALLURGY AND ENGINEERING (FMME) HAS BROUGHT TO OUR ATTENTION THE FACT THAT ECE SEMINAR ON NUMERICALLY- CONTROLLED MACHINE TOOLS WILL BE HELD IN PRAGUE IN NOVEOBER 1973; IT IS TO INCLUDE ALSO VISITS TO SEVERAL CZECHOSLOVAK PLANTS. PROPOSED PAPERS ARE TO BE SUBMITTED TO ECE SECRETARIAT BY APRIL 15, WITH COPIES TO FMME. SO FAR FMME HAS RECEIVED NO WORD OF ANY AMERICAN PARTICIPATION, ALTHOUGH FMME OFFICIAL SAID THAT US SENIOR ADVISOR GASTONE CHINGARI HAD EXPRESSED CONSIDERABLE INTEREST IN SUBJECT AT GENEVA MEETING.

2. SINCE US NATIONAL MACHINE TOOL BUILDERS' ASSOCIATITN (NMTBA) IS SENDING TRADE MISSION HERE THIS JUNE, AND SINCE US EXHIBITION AT SEPTEMBER BRNO ENGINEERING FAIR WILL FEATURE MACHINE- TOOL FIRMS, US PARTICIPATION IN NOVEMBER SEMINAR MIGHT BE PARTICULARLY APPROPRIATE. ALTHOUGH WE ASSUME INFORMATION ON SEMINAR IS IN HANDS OF US INDUSTRY, WE SUGGEST COMMERCE RAISE POSSIBILITY OF SEMINAR PARTICIPATION SPECIFICALLY WITH NMTBA.

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3. AS FMME IS WELL AWARE, US FAILED TO PARTICIPATE
IN ECE STEEL STUDY TOUR HELD HERE LAST NOVEMBER
(PRAGUE 2022). FMME OFFICIAL NOTED TO US THAT, IN
CONTRAST, NUMEROUS WEST EUROPEANS HAD COME AND
JAPANESE, IN PARTICULAR, HAD SENT ELEVEN PARTICIPANTS.

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